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The Pearl by John Steinbeck

Chapter 1

1. This story is a parable. What does that mean and what would the purpose be for reading this selection?
2. What is “music” to the Mexican Indians? Cite three examples.
3. Describe the simple life of Kino’s people.
4. Draw two conclusions about the “closeness of the neighborhood”.
5. Discuss the doctor and the class of people he represents? What is their relationship to Kino’s people?
6. Give two examples of Juana’s strength and assertiveness in spite of their male dominant society.
7. Kino is a quiet man with oppressed feelings. Cite an example of this.